

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL RIVER ACTION PLAN
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain State Governments had submitted a detailed project report for environmental clearance under the National River Action Plan for implementation under the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details of the project proposals alongwith the cost involved therein; and
- (c) the time by which the projects are likely to be cleared?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (c) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) presently implemented by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, covers 34 rivers spread over 20 States, at an approved cost of Rs.4783 crores for undertaking pollution abatement works in these rivers. Conservation of rivers through pollution abatement works is a continuous activity pursued since the launch of Ganga Action Plan in 1985 and project proposals for pollution abatement works are received from the States and scrutinized on ongoing basis with respect to their conformity with the extant guidelines under NRCP. Major portion of the outlay under the NRCP available during the first year of the Eleventh Plan i.e. 2007-08 is for utilization towards the ongoing works in different States. Except for the proposals referred back to the States for reasons of non-conformity to the extant guidelines, other deficiencies etc., one Detailed Project Report from the State of Uttar Pradesh has been received for further consideration with an estimated cost of Rs.1.11 crores.